Preservation Master Plan: Status Update and Vision & Purpose Endorsement

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December 3, 2014: Public Meeting

- Attendance: 15 kids, 26 adults
- Active participation: Stations and Discussion

Entry Station - "I'm Here to Talk

About"

Station #1 – "Most and Least Important

Sites" – green and red dots

Station #2 - "Chalkboards: The Future

of Preservation in Louisville"

Station #3 – "What Works?" – stickers

I'm Here to Talk About...

Property_Values History Economic_Development Current Preservation Program Architecture Community Pride Design Outreach/ Education Sustainability

The attendees had balanced and diverse interests

Station #2

Most Important Sites



Preservation in Louisville

Selected Answers

Louisville preservation is... saving old buildings, toothless, creating awareness, inclusive of mid-century modern, reactive rather than proactive, for future generations to understand history...

The goal for preservation should be... keep history alive; economical, logical, balanced; Old Town not overrun with McMansions; local history and expanding influence on redevelopment; education for all ages; "green"...

In 20 years, preservation will be... relevant, valuable, out of money, Chase Bank- most people hate it today, lost if we don't preserve now for the future, an accepted fact— no debates, still attracting newcomers to Louisville...

Even more important for retaining a

Station #4

What Works?

Questions focused on the processes of the current Historic Preservation Program in Louisville

- WORKS → Landmark application, Research of historic sites, Landmark plaques
- NEEDS IMPROVEMENT → Education and outreach, Design guidelines
- HUH, WHAT IS IT? → Old Town Overlay Zoning Incentives, City ownership of historic buildings
- OTHER

 Training for HPC, Outreach to business owners, clearer guidelines for grant funding, better integration between HPC and other boards

Ongoing Plan Work

Collaborative Approach



Preservation Master Plan Process

Schedule

- November 2014-February 2015
 - → Vision, Purpose and Needs
- November 2014-January 2015
 - → Current Program Description and Evaluation
- March-April 2015 → Goal and Policy Setting + Second Public Meeting and City Council Study Session
- April 2015 → Implementation
 Schedule
 - May-June 2015 → Adoption

Vision & Purpose Endorsement

Comp Plan as Starting Point

<u>Concepts and Language</u> <u>from Vision Statement</u>

small-town atmosphere... The City strives to preserve and enhance the high quality of life it offers to those who live, work, and spend time in the community. Louisville retains connections to the City's modest mining and agricultural beginnings...while continuing to transform into one of the most livable... communities....

Vision & Purpose Endorsement

Comp Plan as Starting Point

Concepts and Language from the Core Community Values

A Connection to the City's Heritage - the City recognizes, values, and encourages the *promotion and preservation of our history* and cultural heritage, particularly our mining and agricultural past.

Vision & Purpose

The citizens of Louisville will retain connections to our past by fostering stewardship and preserving significant historic places. Preservation of these places reflects the authenticity of Louisville-- its small town character, history, and sense of place, all of which make our community a desirable place to call home and conduct business.

The purpose of the Plan is to guide Louisville's city-wide preservation program through the next 20 years.